

Appl. No. 10/654,824

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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A guardrail comprising a rail having a concave section and an electronic display mounted on the rail in the concave section, inset a protective distance into the rail, information on the display comprising computer controllable messages including the written equivalents of a word or words of a spoken language.

2-3. (canceled).

4. (currently amended) A guardrail as claimed in claim 3 1, the rail being formed with a cross section curving in the sequence convex, said concave section, convex.

5. (canceled).

6. (currently amended) A guardrail as claimed in claim 5 4, the display being mounted in the rail for angular adjustment relative to the rail.

7. (previously presented) A guardrail as claimed in claim 6, the angular adjustment being about in the range from 2 to 22-degrees.

8. (canceled).

9. (currently amended) A guardrail as claimed in claim 8 1, further comprising a bar code scanner and/or a radio frequency identification device scanner for transmitting information to a computer connected with said display.

10. (canceled)

11. (currently amended) A guardrail as claimed in claim 8 1,

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further comprising a voice-recognition module for transmitting information to a computer connected with said display.

12. (canceled)

13. (original) A guardrail as claimed in claim ~~8~~ 1, further comprising a DC solar power supply for the display.

14. (canceled)

15. (currently amended) A guardrail ~~comprising~~ as claimed in claim 1, wherein

(a) ~~a~~ said rail is formed with upper and lower laterally elongated convex sections each having a front, and ~~a~~ said concave section is between said convex sections, and

(b) ~~an~~ said electronic display ~~mounted in the concave section of the rail and including~~ includes a face recessed into the rail ~~a~~ said protective distance from said front of the convex sections, said face electronically displaying ~~a~~ said messages.

16. (currently amended) The guardrail of claim ~~15~~ 1 further comprising a mounting bracket at an end of the rail for mounting the rail onto a post.

17. (currently amended) The guardrail of claim ~~15~~ 1 further comprising mounting brackets at opposed ends of the rail, said mounting brackets fastening the rail to posts.

18. (currently amended) The guardrail of claim ~~15~~ 1 ~~wherein the display is mounted~~ further comprising means for angular adjustment of the display face relative to the rail.

19. (currently amended) The guardrail of claim ~~15~~ 1 wherein the face of the electronic display is at an angle to the rail in the range ~~of about~~ 2 to 22 degrees.

20. (currently amended) The guardrail of claim ~~15~~ 1 wherein the electronic display includes LEDs (light emitting diodes).

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21. (currently amended) The guardrail of claim ~~15~~ 1 wherein the electronic display comprises a scrolling message sign.

22. (currently amended) The guardrail of claim ~~15~~ 1 wherein said message is commanded by a computer connected with said display via wire or wirelessly.

23-25. (canceled).